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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

No. 04-30144

Plaintiff - Appellee,

D.C. No. CR-01-05218-RJB

V.

MEMORANDUM*

CHRISTOPHER PAUL HAWK,

Defendant - Appellant.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington Robert J. Bryan, District Judge, Presiding

Argued and Submitted September 16, 2005 Seattle, Washington

Before: SCHROEDER, Chief Judge, ALARCON and LEAVY, Circuit Judges.

Appellant Christopher Paul Hawk entered a guilty plea to second degree murder in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1111. At a sentencing hearing on June 14, 2004, the district court, applying the then mandatory sentencing guidelines, relied on facts never proven to a jury to increase Hawk's sentence.

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Hawk appealed. In his briefs on appeal, Hawk argued his sentence should be vacated and remanded under <u>Blakely v. Washington</u>, 542 U.S. 296 (2004), and <u>United States v. Booker</u>, 543 U.S. 220 (2005), because the district court erroneously applied the mandatory sentencing guidelines. All briefing in this appeal was completed before our court sitting en banc decided <u>United States v.</u>
Ameline, 409 F.3d 1073 (9th Cir. 2005) (en banc).

At oral argument, Hawk's counsel informed us that after our decision in Ameline, she would no longer advise her client to seek a remand of his sentence. Hawk's counsel, however, had not had an opportunity to consult with Hawk on whether he agreed that he should not seek a remand of his sentence. We have not been notified that he seeks a remand.

The sentence is AFFIRMED.